

# Gladwin County Board of Commissioners COW Minutes, March 09, 2021

The Gladwin County Board of Commissioners met for the Committee of the Whole Meeting, on March 9, 2021. Chairperson Karen Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll was taken, Commissioner Diller was excused, all other commissioners were present.

### **Public Comment**

\_Wes Nakagiri, Livingston County Board of Commissioners – shared his concerns on vaccine distribution in the State.

\_Kelly Bax, Coleman MI – shared an email that she had sent to Gladwin and Midland counties, and the response received from Jeannette Snyder. Kelly stated her concerns over the lack of responses.

\_Joel Vernier, Gladwin MI – voiced his support of the Four Lakes Task Force and their \$200 request from residents of the Special Assessment District to help support their ability to work through the ice buildup and future monitoring and operations of the dams.

\_Diana Mella, Gladwin Township – Discussed her thoughts on the Jails food service contract with CBM and asked about flexibility on the number of meals prepared. She stated she would like to see local vendors researched for this service.

Chris Waugh, Gladwin MI – Asked if the Interim Administrator could explain Indirect Costs to the public.

No other comments

## City Administrator Report - none

### **County Affairs**

- Summit/CBM Food Services Discussion was had on the need to meet requirements of State and Federal agencies. An explanation was given of the current services; local vendors were looked into about three years ago and Summit is still the better choice.
- 2. Brouillard Fund Discussion on the pros and cons of the utilizing the Gladwin Community Foundation as previously discussed. Director Roberts would like to look at new options for moving forward and asked if the Soldier Sailor Relief fund was an option for disbursing funds in a timelier manner. Discussion was had by the Interim Administrator, Director Roberts and Treasurer VanTiem about using the VA's Fall Through the Cracks Fund as the pass-through account (due to/due from) after establishing a revenue line item for these donated funds.

## County Facilities and Transportation - none

Data -

511 Council - none

Gladwin Parks and Recreation - none

Insurance - none

Memorial Restoration - none

MERS - none

## Public Safety -

Gladwin County Sheriff's Department Mutual Police Assistance Agreement – Sheriff Shea discussed
the agreement between the cities of Gladwin and Beaverton to provide assistance to one another.
Requesting a renewal of this contract.

### Personnel

- Renewal of part-time contract for Linda Hawkins Judge Farrell spoke of limitations on staff and public attendance in court due to COVID, and that impact on the current operating procedures of district court. Discussion was had on the current agreement costs, what the transition may look like resulting from COVID Level changes, and how that might impact the agreement.
- Adjustment to the Drain Office Working Hours Drain Commissioner Walters explained the need to temporarily add seven hours to the Deputy Drain Commissioners schedule on days they are not open to the public in efforts to "clean up the books". Discussion was had about current hours being worked, and Commissioner Taylor voiced his support.
- 3. Update to the County Administrator Position Chairperson Moore stated where the position has been posted and that the timeline for applications ends the end of March. Discussion was had on forming a committee of Department Heads to review resumes, whether and who would be voting during the hiring process, and the point system that would be used for hiring. It was stated that the interview process will be open to the public.

#### Finance

- Indirect Costs, Interim Administrator Maveal gave an explanation on Maximus and their role in tracking and accessing line items for millage funds to determine indirect costs associated with each department.
   Indirect Costs vary and are determined by a department's annual transaction history. Treasurer VanTiem - stated that there had been \$97,446.14 in indirect costs billed and paid in 2021.
- 2. 911 Wireless Training Fund Interim Administrator Maveal discussion on tracked 911 expenses that are paid through general funds and reimbursed through State Funds, line items 282-000-804.001

Report from Civil Attorney – An answer on the AmeriHemp zoning case has been filed, Attorney Hoerauf will speak with their attorney about moving forward. She has the Sheriff Dept.'s Command agreement almost complete and is in the process of drafting the MERS agreement.

No additional discussion. Meeting closed at 10:17 a.m.

Karrie Hulme, County Clerk

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Karen Moore, Chairperson